

# ARTS and HUMANITIES: The FACTS

## 2007 KING COUNTY EMPLOYEE GIVING PROGRAM

### WHY SUPPORT ARTS and HUMANITIES?

**ONE GIFT BENEFITS MANY.** Your gift to Arts and Humanities supports all of the arts in our area: music, dance, theatre, museums, opera and film.

**THE ARTS SHOULD BE ACCESSIBLE TO EVERYONE.** Your contribution keeps ticket prices reasonable and allows arts organizations to provide free and discounted tickets. Ticket income covers only half the costs of staging the performance.

**THE ARTS HAVE A HUGE ECONOMIC IMPACT.** Arts & heritage organizations add over \$1 billion in economic activity and attract educated workers and business to downtown cores.

**ARTS EDUCATION IS A VITAL COMPONENT OF A COMPLETE EDUCATION.** Your gift enables 70 arts organizations to support arts education by reaching out to 600,000 children throughout the Puget Sound area.

**THE ARTS ENHANCE THE LIVABILITY OF OUR REGION.** Your gift helps to protect our extraordinary quality of life. The arts not only inspire, entertain and educate, they also enrich and strengthen the fabric of our communities

**THE ARTS DEEPEN OUR HUMANITY.** Your gift to the arts helps promote respect and an appreciation of all cultures.

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Want to know more about how you can help these organizations? Talk to your Employee Giving Program Coordinator and ask for a catalog, or check out the Employee Giving Program website at [www.metrokc.gov/giving](http://www.metrokc.gov/giving). Remember, Giving Works!

## **“OUR CREATIVITY AND OUR ECONOMIC FUTURE HAVE BECOME MUTUALLY DEPENDENT.”**

Bob Drewel, Puget Sound Regional Council and Prosperity Partnership

When creativity thrives, cities thrive. Areas become more vibrant. Restaurants and shops open. New housing is constructed and older housing is renovated. The region evolves, economically, intellectually, artistically.

To thrive, creativity needs support. Unfortunately, arts organizations cannot survive on ticket sales alone. That's why we need your help. With a single donation to ArtsFund, you can give to grand productions of opera, theater, symphony, dance and visual arts, cutting edge performance art and small neighborhood productions throughout Puget Sound.

There are more than 70 organizations in the Puget Sound region that operate with the help of you support – inspiring patrons and residents every day with art, dance and theater. The arts have a huge economic impact on the area as well. Arts and heritage organizations generate over \$1 billion in economic activity in the state and create 600 full and part-time jobs and \$465 million in payrolls. The arts don't just brighten our daily lives, but they also truly support our communities.

## **“ART ALLOWS US TO FIND OURSELVES AND LOSE OURSELVES AT THE SAME TIME.”** Thomas Merton

Nonprofits doing work in this area:

The 5th Avenue Theatre Association	Metro Employees Historic Vehicle Association	Seattle Symphony
ACT Theatre	On the Boards	Seattle Theatre Group
Artist Trust	Orchestra Seattle/Seattle	Seven Star Women's Kung Fu
ArtsWest	Chamber Singers	Theatre Puget Sound
Bellevue Philharmonic Orchestra	Pacific Northwest Ballet	Town Hall Seattle
Book-It Repertory Theatre	Pat Graney Company	Wing Luke Asian Museum
Carter Family Puppet Theater	Rainbow City Band	Wing-It Productions
Early Music Guild	Richard Hugo House	American Ireland Fund
Earshot Jazz	Seattle Arts & Lectures	Cornish College of the Arts
Empty Space Theater	Seattle Chamber Music Society	Fellowship of Christian Athletes
The Esoterics	Seattle Children's Theatre Association	Maria Montessori Language & Cultural Center
Evergreen City Ballet	Seattle Glee Clubs	Phinney Neighborhood Association
Experience Learning Community	Seattle Men's Chorus/Seattle Women's Chorus	Real Change Homeless Empowerment Project
Federal Way Symphony	Seattle Opera	Starlight Starbright
Henry Art Gallery	Seattle Pro Musica Society	Children's Foundation of Washington
INTIMAN Theatre	Seattle Repertory Jazz Orchestra	Youth In Focus
Kirkland Arts Center		